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“Tell the truth and don’t be afraid.”



News

Improv troupe Hello Dali prepares for its last performance.
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Closer Mike Zirol is this week's Top Cat.

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Sports

Volleyball team makes adjustments in spring season.

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Light it up



Kate Mitchell / Assoc. photo editor

John Priest, an Eastern electrician, uses a cutting torch to remove an old light pole for the installation of a new one Tuesday morning in front of Carman Hall. Priest said the goal is to install new light poles all over campus because they look better and are cheaper to operate.

South Quad enlightened by new green lampposts

By Jessica Danielewicz
Campus editor

Campus will be a little brighter at night, thanks to the new lights being installed now in the South Quad.

Facilities Planning and Management began this project in fall 1999 with new lights in the North Quad, said Carol Strobe, interim director of the Physical Plant in an e-mail.

Strobe said that not all of the lights were installed in fall 1999 because of several factors including availability of funds, scheduling work around the weather, the workforce and the availability of material.

The new lights will have higher efficiency and and will focus more light toward the ground rather than being uncontrolled, Strobe said.

“The old lights were sodium sources, which gives off an orange glow, inside fixtures with inef-

fective optical control,” Strobe said. “The new lights are metal halide sources, which gives off a white light, inside fixtures with precise optical control.”

The previous lights were installed between the 1940s and 1960s. The new lights being installed have a designed lifespan of 25 years, she said.

Campus will benefit from the new lights because they will save energy, increase visibility, and increase safety and security, Strobe said.

Funding for these lights is coming from various sources, including savings from energy conservation measures, deferred maintenance funds and campus lighting and safety improvement funds, she said.

There are 116 poles and fixtures to replace around the South Quad and each installed fixture costs about \$1,200, Strobe said.

The light project is expected to be finished by June 30, 2001, she said.

Distinguished Faculty goes to Guernsey

Fischer replaces Tidwell as Faculty Senate chair, committee seats filled

By Patrick Guinane
Administration editor

Bruce Guernsey will receive the Distinguished Faculty Award during the 5 p.m. commencement session of the May 5 graduation ceremonies.

Faculty senate member Bill Addison said Guernsey, an English professor, was chosen from one of the strongest groups of candidates in years.

The senate also made nominations to various campus faculty leadership groups. John Best, a psychology professor, was chosen to fill the senate position on the Enrollment Management Advisory committee. Bud Fischer, an associate professor in the biological sciences department, was selected to fill the senate position on the Textbook Rental Advisory Committee.

Senate Chair James Tidwell said, “That’s amazing we were able to fill everything.”

However, three positions are

still up in the air. Two positions are open on the Campus Recreation Board, but the senate will contact Ken Baker, the director of campus recreation and the Student Recreation Center, to determine if filling only one of those positions would be feasible.

The other open position is on the Council for Faculty Research. The position has to be filled by a faculty member from either the creative or performing arts departments.

The senate will discuss filling those positions at its summer meeting, which it agreed will be at 1 p.m. on June 18 in the faculty lounge of Buzzard Hall.

In other business, Susan Kaufman, a professor in the journalism department, was appointed by the senate to serve on the search committee for a new WEIU radio and television station manager. She was chosen over Joe Heumann, speech communication

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Show is a step toward unity across campus

By Erika Larson
Activities editor

A step show, fashion show, comedy and dance group extravaganza will take place Thursday night to promote diversity and unity on campus.

The National Panhellenic Council and Black Student Union will put on “Stepping for Unity throughout the Community: Steppers Unite Step Show and Fashion Extravaganza” at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Everyone from the Eastern community is welcome to come, said Monique Cook-Bey, graduate student adviser for the Student Life Office. She said the line-up for the evening will include a brief slide show on the history of step dancing,

a performance by the dance group Illusion, the step show itself and a fashion show. Comedian Joe Clair will be the emcee for the entire event, Cook-Bey said.

Step dancing began in Africa and is now used by various organizations as a means of communication and to share culture, she said. The step show itself will feature six step teams, one of which is the unity step team, Cook-Bey said.

“Earlier in the semester, we went throughout the campus and community and asked members from various recognized student organizations to participate (in a step routine),” Cook-Bey said. “We have members from Sigma Gamma Rho sorority, Alpha Phi sorority, Alpha Sigma Tau sorority, Kappa Delta sorority, Student Government, Black Student Union and Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority on the unity step team.”

Cook-Bey will perform in the step show section of the event and

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Joe Clair

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Trips abroad are available

By Kelly Manning
Staff writer

It's never too soon to plan for a study abroad trip.

A semester-long Korea trip, scheduled from February 14, 2002, to June 1, 2002, is sponsored by the National Collegiate Honors Council and Long Island University. The students who go will attend Keimyung University to experience an education in Asia, said Judith Sunderman, academic adviser for the Honors Program Office.

Participants will travel the country to explore a different culture, said Herbert Lasky, director of the Honors Program. Sunderman said a semester in Korea would provide international experience teamed with research or an internship.

The cost for the trip is about

\$4,000 in addition to airfare, but the National Collegiate Honors Council will offer some scholarships, Lasky said.

Applications for studying for the semester in Korea should be turned in by September 30, 2001.

Another trip to Belgium will take place this summer from June 30 to July 28 and is sponsored by the Honors Program. Lasky said about 12 students are signed up, but the Honors Program will make a spot for any Eastern student who wants to go.

Eastern students have embarked on this overseas experience for four years now, and for one month, they will excavate a 13th-century castle, Lasky said. Students would benefit a lot from this opportunity, he said.

"It is a wonderful experience," he said. "(Students) will understand how Western culture devel-

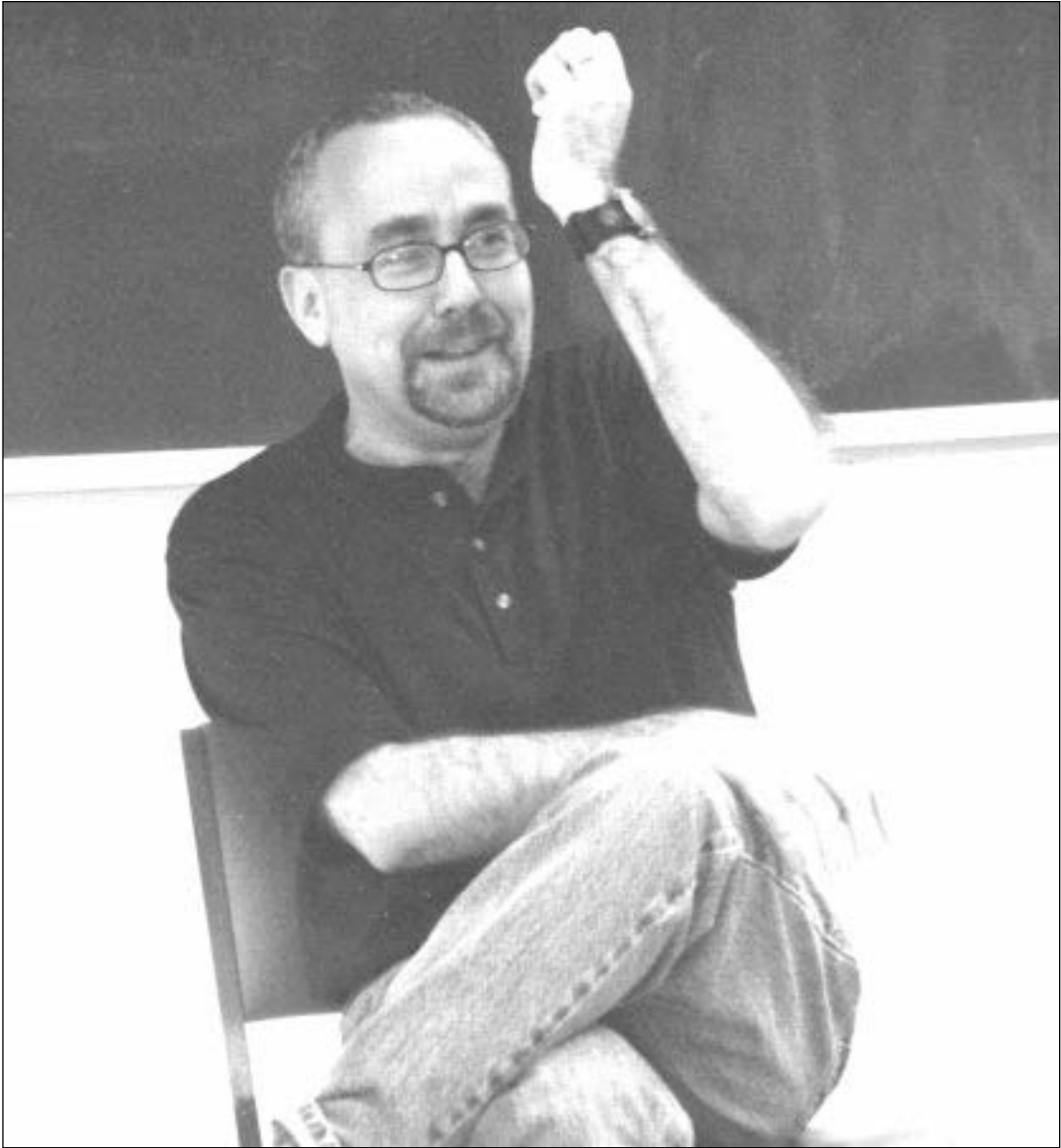
oped."

Lasky said they also are thinking about opening another excavation in Ireland in 2002 or 2003. Lasky has been to Ireland in the past and believes it would be a good learning experience for students who are interested in studying abroad.

The goal of studying abroad is to get an education, Lasky said. He said many opportunities are available for Eastern students interested in exploring and learning about another country.

"Students who study abroad will be learning another culture, learning another skill and learning about other people," he said.

For more information about any study abroad programs, visit the Honors Program office located in the Booth House on Fourth Street or contact Lasky at 581-2017.



Adriene Weller/Staff photographer

Practical experience

Jim Harris, writer and Eastern alum, speaks about publication and writing as a profession Tuesday evening in Coleman Hall.

What's on
tap?

Special events open to all students, faculty, staff and community members can be published in What's on tap. Events limited to specific groups or organizations or regularly scheduled events can be published in CampusClips. To have your event included send details, including time, date, place and cost, to majones@eiu.edu or bring a written statement to 1811 Buzzard Hall.

Today

2 to 4 p.m., International Tea, Charleston/Mattoon Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union, Dr. Mario Andino (Euador) and Juan Socarras (Columbia) presenting at 3 p.m., free refreshments
5 to 6:30 p.m., Dinner and a Language, German, Pemberton Hall Dining Room
10:30 p.m. to midnight, Hello Dali final show of year, \$1 admission, 7th Street Underground, Martin Luther King Jr. University Union

Thursday

3:30 p.m., ROTC Awards Ceremony, Grand Ballroom, Martin Luther King Jr. University Union
7 p.m., "Stepping for Unity throughout the Community: Steppers Unite Step Show and Fashion Extravaganza," Grand Ballroom, Martin Luther King Jr. University Union

Friday

9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Special Olympics, Buzzard Auditorium
7:30 p.m., Percussion Ensembles Concert, Dvorak Concert Hall, The Doudna Fine Arts Center
9 p.m., The Last Resorts Breast Cancer Awareness Benefit Concert, \$5 admission, The Dungeon

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Theft

Andrew D. Cox, 19, of the 900 block of Division Street, was cited at 11:45 p.m. April 8 in the 1800 block of Union Street for theft, a police report stated.

Driving under the
influence

Christopher N. Shores, 23, of Mattoon was cited at 1:15 a.m. April 14 on the 1600 block of Ninth Street for driving under the influence, a police report stated.

Jonathan D. Shileny, 23, of Mattoon was cited at 12:30 a.m. April 12 at Seventh Street and Roosevelt Avenue for driving under the influence, criminal trespassing and disorderly conduct, a police report stated.

Improv group reflects over year in view of last show

By Tiffany Kalousek
Staff writer

Hello Dali, one of Eastern's improvisational comedy groups, will perform its final show of the year at 10:30 p.m. today at 7th Street Underground.

The show, which will last until midnight, has an admission price of \$1.

Chris Hopkins, a junior English education major and member of Hello Dali, believes the group accomplished a lot this year.

"I think we had a good year," he said.

Although Hopkins believes Hello Dali has established itself on campus, he said the group has been trying to get back into the bar scene to expand.

Hopkins said that attendance has been steady all year with an average of 50 to 100

people in the audience.

"We have our followers," Hopkins said.

The audiences were receptive this year, he said. In the past, some audiences would yell out inappropriate sexual suggestions, he said.

"This year the audiences' suggestions have been new and fresh," he said. "It gives us a chance to go past typical sex stuff."

Hopkins believes that the group has certain qualities that has made this a good year for them.

"Improv is a give-and-take comedy," he said. "We're probably more analytical of ourselves than any audience can be."

Hopkins said this year, overall, has been a positive experience.

"It's just a shame that the year has to end," he said.



file photo

The cast of Hello Dali pose in the men's bathroom at 7th Street Underground during one of their performances. The next show will be tonight from 10 p.m. to midnight at 7th Street Underground.

Student Senate to swear in members, decide on shuttle bus

Proposal for shuttle bus contract up for vote

By Tammie Leigh Brown
Student government editor

Student Senate Wednesday will decide whether to endorse a proposed three-year contract that would retain H & H Transportation of Charleston as the operator of the shuttle bus system while doubling the shuttle bus fee.

The senate will meet at 7 p.m. in the Arcola/Tuscola Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

H & H was contracted by the university last December to run two shuttle buses for seven semesters, but it unexpectedly halted service last month after owner Scott Harrison said he could not provide service for the bid price, a flat rate of \$55,177, or about \$23 per hour.

H & H and the university agreed to terminate the contract but later signed a new six-week contract paying H & H \$42 per hour of service to run a single bus through the end of the year.

If senate approves the new contract, it would have to decide how many buses to run.

Under the new contract, H & H would be paid \$31.50 per hour to run one bus, said Senate Speaker Adam Weyhaupt.

The proposed legislation also would raise the shuttle bus fee. If the senate chooses to run a single bus, student fees will be raised by \$1.30. Two buses would mean an increase of

\$5.30 per student per semester.

Each student currently pays \$5.60 per semester.

Weyhaupt said a survey of about 1,000 students the senate conducted shows students evenly split on having one, two or no bus for next year, with a slight lean toward hiring one bus.

"This will not be an easy decision," Weyhaupt said.

While the senate may only officially recommend the university approve the proposed contract, Student Body President Katie Cox said the senate vote would determine whether the contract is signed.

"The Board of Trustees would have to approve (the shuttle bus), but it is implied that the administration will support our decision," she said.

The contract proposal is contingent on the shuttle service obtaining a performance bond, which will insure that service would continue even if the company defaults on the contract.

Also, the senate will consider a recommendation that resident assistants should not be required to pay for a mandatory RA training course.

Student Government members Hugh O'Hara and Joe Robbins also will be appointed to serve on the Summer Council for Academic Affairs, a board that discusses issues such as

Next year's Student Senate mix of old, new

By Jeremy Pelzer
Staff editor

The new Student Senate for fall semester will be sworn in at tonight's senate meeting.

Several new senate members and a new executive board will be seated at the meeting at 7 p.m. in the Arcola/Tuscola Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Portia Andrews, a freshman psychology major; Mace Boshart, a freshman pre-med major; Carissa Brooks, a senior speech communication major; Bill Davidson, a freshman undecided major; Donna Fernandez, a sophomore business major; Stephanie Isaac, a sophomore English major; and Nikki Verone, a freshman social science major, all were elected to the senate for the first time last week.

Returning as senate members are Joe Robbins, a senior political science major; James Paton, a junior economics major; Ashonda Simmons, a junior African-American studies major; Nick Skipitaris, a speech communication major; Corey Wilson, a senior political science major; Jeremy Ewing, a senior business management major; Seth Quin, a family and consumer science major; Tim Edwards, a speech communication major; and Shonda Clancy, a sophomore biological sciences major.

The new executive board includes Hugh

O'Hara, a senior political science major, as student body president; Daryl Jones, a senior speech communication major, as student vice president for public affairs; Jen Fanthorpe, a sophomore business major, as student vice president for financial affairs; Jessica Catto, a junior communication disorder and sciences major, as student vice president for academic affairs; and Yve Williams, a junior speech communication major, as student vice president for student affairs.

Many of the new senate members said they were excited about joining Student Government.

"I wish it was fall semester now, so I can get to work on things," Boshart said. "I'm ready to get to work now."

Boshart said he would work on many of the issues O'Hara campaigned on, including a CARPOOL system that would allow students to serve as volunteer designated drivers with the hopes of cutting down on drunk driving.

Fernandez also was excited about senate.

"I hope I can do a lot for students over the next year," Fernandez said. "I think all the people (in senate next year) are very qualified."

Tonight's meeting will be the last senate meeting for many Student Government members, including Senate Speaker Adam Weyhaupt, Student Body President Katie Cox, and all four student vice presidents.

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do whatever it was you were thinking you'd do for \$20.

Stick a fork in it

When a horse comes up lame, it's traditionally been considered merciful to end its life. That said, someone needs to put a bullet in the Panther Express.

It was an ambitious idea at the beginning, one supported by Eastern and this newspaper. It may be the biggest thing Student Senate has done for the campus in the last five years, and its outlook was decidedly rose-colored at its inception.

It's pretty much been downhill from there.

Once it was definitively determined that student fees would be needed to operate the shuttle bus, students began to grumble, but most of us saw it coming and weren't too surprised.

And once the little bus that couldn't began chugging around campus and the city, we all waited patiently for it to catch on with the student body.

Shuttle bus must go

Although the idea behind the shuttle bus was good, the logistics have never worked out.

Unfortunately, it never truly did. Nor was it all that popular with Charleston businesses, which senate members expected to pony up some cash for the operating expenses since the bus would be delivering students to off-campus stops. The response was lukewarm at best.

Then we all started realizing that a bus that comes by once an hour doesn't do anyone much good. This is when experimentation with the bus route began, and although examples of the confusing and constant changes would be helpful in supporting our argument, we couldn't keep track of the ever-shifting stops, routes and schedules, much like the rest of Eastern.

Soon we had two little buses that couldn't chugging around. Naturally, this required more student money, which naturally caused more grumbling. The bus routes were again tinkered with, and schedules were reprinted for the umpteenth time.

Students occasionally rode the bus when they could find it, when it wasn't broken down or involved in a traffic accident.

Then, earlier this year, H & H Transportation, the company operating the shuttle bus, realized it didn't carry the ones properly in its books and couldn't operate the bus with the money Eastern was paying. So they, for all intents and purposes, quit. Eastern rewarded this breach of contract by considering them again to run the shuttle bus, this time at a higher cost to the university.

Now Student Senate is saying the student fees will have to nearly double, to over \$10, to operate the bus.

Enough is enough. After three years where the only consistent trait of the program was inconsistency, it's time to put the Panther Express out of its misery. Eastern shouldn't even consider raising student fees — who doubles their prices for a season ticket when the team has yet to win anything?

In fact, it should just let the shuttle bus die quietly. A good idea hasn't worked out, and we should all be honest enough to admit it.

The editorial is the opinion of the editorial board of *The Daily Eastern News*.

Today's quote

“Striving to better, oft we mar what's well.

William Shakespeare,
English playwright, 1564-1616

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Violent offenders shouldn't be protected

There is no doubt in my mind that Charleston is a relatively safe community to live in. Charleston certainly does not experience anywhere near the amount of violent crimes Chicago or New York do. But wouldn't it be nice to know if the person in your neighborhood or on your residence hall floor has done something seriously wrong that could potentially be a threat to you or your family?

Student Senate members and the members of the university's administration agree that students who commit violent crimes on campus should have their names reported to the community. If not reported, they should be at least readily accessible to anyone who wants the information.

Illinois already has similar laws on the books. For people convicted of illegal sexual acts, a sex offenders list is available at the local police station. Police provide this information so citizens living in a neighborhood can check the list to see if any potential risk to their family exists.

Others who have been convicted of violent crimes also can be tracked down on the Internet by going to the Illinois Department of Corrections Web page. This page is fully searchable by last names, and various other forms of search parameters can be applied.

So why isn't the same true for Eastern students who are caught committing violent acts? Why is their privacy so important?

The Student Senate last week passed a recommendation to the university that the Judicial Affairs Office release a person's name, the charge and the outcome of a student who is brought before the judicial board for committing violent acts such as rape, arson and murder. As a journalist, this is a good thing for me to get my hands on; as a citizen and member of the university community, this is an impor-



Chris Sievers
Editor in chief

“If you really don't want your name released, then don't do anything wrong.”

will be raised.

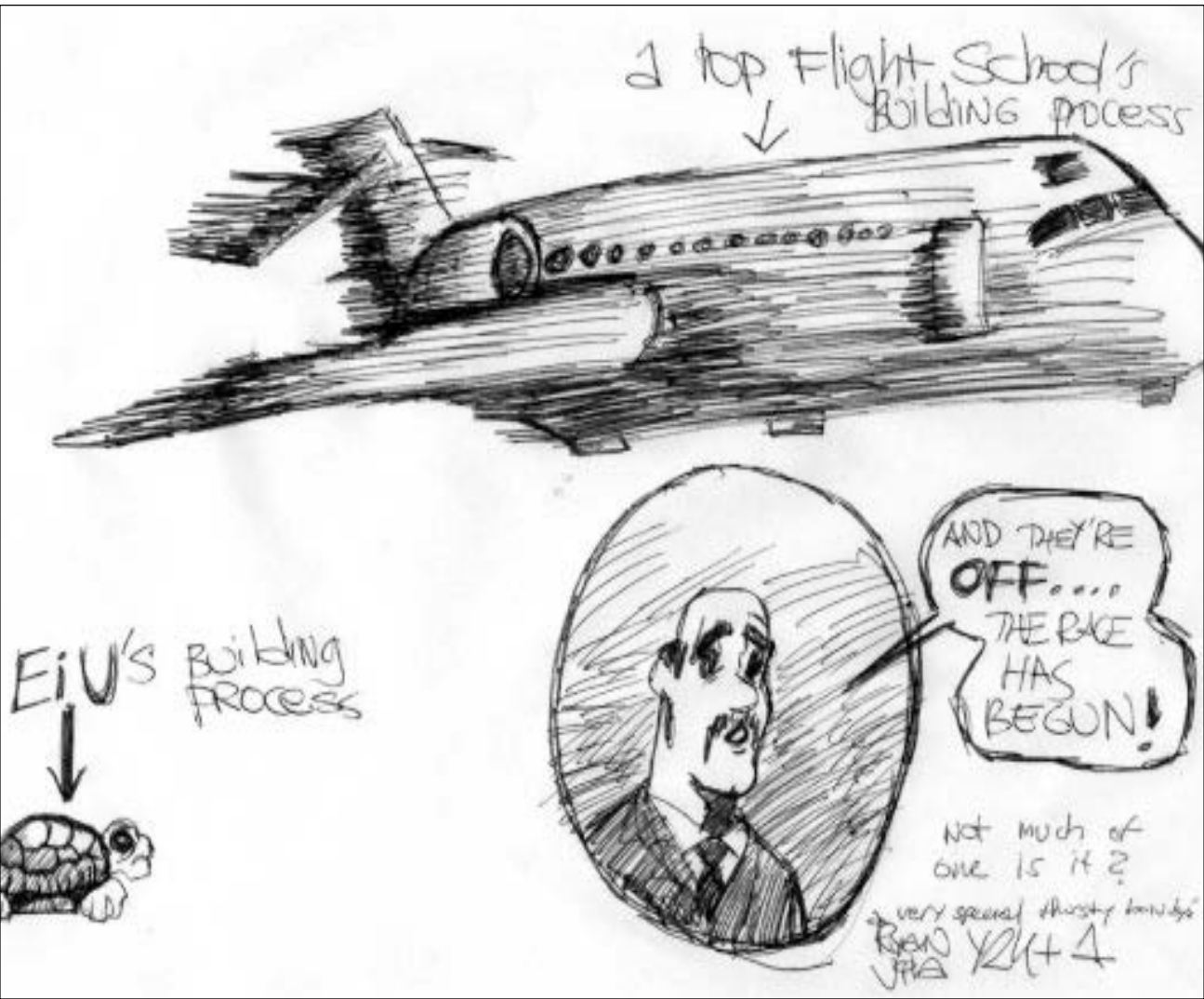
I've had some experience with those people who like to say their privacy has been violated. Usually one or two people per semester call, sometimes in tears, to the newsroom begging and pleading that their names not be in the police blotter. After we inform them of our policy, they quickly switch gears and try the privacy approach, saying they have a constitutional right to have their name omitted from *The Daily Eastern News*' police blotter.

This doesn't work for me, and I too have a constitutional right to put your name in the police blotter. Through the years, I have learned a little trick to keep your name out of the public arena: If you really don't want your name released, then don't do anything wrong. There, that solves the problem — doesn't it?

There's got to be some point where the rights of others comes before the rights of those found guilty in the court's eyes — whether it be the Coles County Circuit Court, the Illinois Appeals Court or the Judicial Affairs Office of Eastern.

Hopefully our university leaders will see that point and choose to protect the majority of students who do nothing wrong, rather than the minority of those who do.

Chris Sievers is a junior journalism major and a regular columnist for *The Daily Eastern News*. His e-mail address is cdsievers@eiu.edu. Columns are the opinion of the author.



Blood Drive a big success thanks to many groups' donations

I just wanted to say thank you and congratulations to all of the people involved with the blood drive on April 12 and 13.

We had approximately 380 units donated. It was the most successful drive at Eastern in two years.

Your turn

Letters to the editor

We couldn't have done it without all the help. We want to thank Papa John's for the pizza, Wilb Walker's for the drinks and other items, ROTC for all their hard work to make the drive so successful and the Black Student Union and diversity affairs committee

for all the success of the Charles Drew drive.

Last, but certainly not least, a big thank you to all the donors. We greatly appreciate the gift of life that you've given.

If you did not get to give blood at the April 12 and 13 drive, there is another drive coming up on April 26 sponsored by Delta Tau Delta.

Andrea Farmer
President
Eastern Blood Drive Committee

Adriene Weller / Staff photographer

Fancy footwork

Michael Collins, a senior sociology major, meets for footbag practice for the hat club Tuesday afternoon. Anyone can come see them at Celebration: A Festival of the Arts on April 27.



Last VPBA candidate to interview

By Patrick Guinane
Administration editor

The fifth and final candidate in the search for a new vice president for business affairs will visit campus today.

David Simpson will interview at meetings open to the campus from 4 to 5 p.m. today and again from 7 to 8 p.m. The afternoon session will be held in the Oakland Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union, and the later session will be held in the Martinsville Room of the Union. Both rooms are located on

the third floor.

Simpson has held the position of current vice president for business and community relations at the University of the South, in Sewanee, Tenn., since 1998. Prior to that, Simpson was the director of resource management and the chief financial officer at the U.S. Military Academy. Simpson was a military administrator since 1985, when he started as an appropriations director.

He is a certified government financial manager and attained his bachelor's of science from California State University in

Sacramento in 1981, and in 1988, he attained his masters in public accounting from American University in Washington D.C.

Thursday, Simpson is scheduled to meet separately with Eastern President Carol Surles, the vice president for business affairs search committee and business affairs employees. These meetings will mark the end of the interview process.

The search committee will then convene to deliberate and send forth its recommendation to Surles, who will then make the final decision.

Alumni Association offering free subscriptions to grads

By Jodi Aeschleman
Staff writer

The EIU Alumni Association is offering a complimentary one-year membership to the graduating class of 2001.

The alumni association offers the free membership to help keep stu-

dents involved in the university after they have graduated, said Jen Polkow, assistant director of the alumni association.

"Being a part of the alumni association is the best way to keep in touch with Eastern after you graduate," she said.

Members of the association

receive a subscription to *Old Main Line*, the biannual magazine, which is filled with campus and alumni news. They also receive invitations to alumni events and receptions as well as numerous discounts, including car rental and hotel discounts, nationwide, Polkow said.

She said members also will

receive one free ticket to any Eastern home basketball game and discounted tickets to theater events. Additional discounts also are available to area restaurants such as E.L. Krackers and Angie's Pizza.

After the complimentary year is up, members can renew their membership for \$30 per year, Polkow

said.

"Rather than leave Eastern behind when you graduate, students can keep their relationship with the university alive while they continue to be informed about the events of the campus," said Steve Rich, executive director of the alumni association.

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Fourth Street residents upset with City Council and mayor

Neighborhood Council disagrees with vote for improvements

By Amber Williams
Staff editor

After the City Council voted last week to buy right-of-way on Fourth Street and begin the design of Fourth Street improvements, the Charleston Neighborhood Council said that they believe the council breached their trust.

"It was our belief that the city agreed not to move unilaterally on the project," said Duke Bagger, spokesperson for the Charleston Neighborhood Council.

Bagger said that he fears the 2 1/2 by 50 foot strips of land by the Town Branch Bridge would be used for more construction that may be distracting to people trying to live on the street, Bagger said.

"The question is, how intrusive is this project going to be?" Bagger asked.

At the April 17 City Council meeting where the purchase of right-of-way was approved, Mayor Dan Cougill said the city did not yet have any plans for what to do with the land. Cougill said the land could be used for a variety of purposes.

As an act of courtesy, the city should have contacted the Charleston Neighborhood Council before putting the purchase of right-of-way on the City Council agenda, Bagger said.

The Charleston Neighborhood Council agrees with the City Council that Fourth Street needs to be resurfaced and the sidewalks repaired, but it still does not want the street to be widened. While the city is drawing up design plans for what will happen with the street, the Charleston Neighborhood Council hopes that the city will

inform it of what changes are being planned.

Whenever members of the Charleston Neighborhood Council go to City Council meetings, they believe that not much discussion goes on between the council members on any of the issues, Bagger said. Bagger said he finds it unusual that the council members rarely discuss items on the agenda and most items are passed unanimously.

Cougill said City Council members do not discuss any items on the agenda as a group before the meetings, and all discussion is saved for when the council commences. Members of the council get information on agenda items weeks before the meeting and therefore they have plenty of time to consider any propositions and make a decision.



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City employees Ron Cain and Rod Helton make a traffic extension for a bumpout on the corner of the square Tuesday afternoon.

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SIU students organizing protest against alleged police racism

CARBONDALE (AP) — A group of black students at Southern Illinois University is charging racism was behind police breaking up an off-campus party with tear gas.

Some students are planning a demonstration Saturday night in the city's downtown. They want police to apologize and drop charges against Patrick Gant, a 26-year-old elementary education major who was charged with aggravated battery

and resisting arrest.

Police were responding to complaints about loud music, said Carbondale Police Chief R.T. Finney, who defended his officers' actions.

Gant, who is from Chicago, was hosting a block party with his neighbors about a half-mile from the SIU campus when a group of officers arrived in their squad cars around 1 a.m. Sunday, said Paul Hardges, 21, of Chicago, who attended the party.

Two officers knocked on Gant's door and asked one of his roommates, John Bratton, to turn down the music, police and Bratton said.

But when police took Bratton's identification card, Gant objected and reached for the card, according to both Gant and Finney.

When the officer tried to arrest Gant, he retreated into his bedroom, where witnesses say six or seven police officers ultimately subdued him with tear gas and physical force.

Step show

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said it has been fun to teach the people participating and see how hard the groups have worked to put on the performance.

Both the step show and the fashion show will feature people of various ethnic backgrounds, Cook-Bey said.

"And (the models) are not all from sororities (and fraternities)," she said. "Some of the models are people we just walked up to and asked around campus."

Rachel Haynes, a junior speech communication major, will participate in the fashion show. She said

she hopes a lot of people attend.

"I've always wanted to do something like this, and I think it's an excellent opportunity to meet and get to know people from different ethnic backgrounds," Haynes said.

Nautica, Contempo, Elder Beerman and Casual Corner have donated clothes for the models to wear in the fashion show, which will feature both male and female models, Cook-Bey said.

"Nautica and Contempo will be giving door prizes like coupons and hats," she said.

Comedian Joe Clair will act as an emcee between segments of the event. Cook-Bey said Clair is a well-known comedian who has hosted "Rap City" on the Black Entertainment Television Network.

"It's the first time we've had a comedian of this caliber," she said.

The event is sponsored by over 20 organizations, Cookbey said.

"We have gotten so much support from the campus, which has been overwhelming," she said. "It's wonderful because it shows that the campus is about unity and is about helping." The sponsors will be recognized at the function, Cook-Bey said.

Tickets for the event cost \$7 if purchased before 3 p.m. today and are \$10 at the door. Tickets for RSO groups of five or more, including residence hall associations if a representative is present, cost \$5 a person if purchased before 4 p.m. on Thursday. Tickets can be purchased at the box office in the Union.

Senate

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professor, and former WEIU radio station manager, by a vote of 9-5.

The senate also appointed its own executive council for next year. Bud Fischer will serve as chair, Reed Benedict as vice chair and Doug Brand as recorder, although there was some discussion of asking the vice president for academic affairs to provide a paid recorder.

The final report of the Council on Academic Affairs' Task Force on Technology Enhanced and

Delivered Courses was also discussed. Some of the issues involved were ensuring that students actually take their online finals themselves, that students are informed to what computer requirements they need to take online courses and how much work online courses need to require.

"Some of these courses may not fit the normal semester time frame," Tidwell said.



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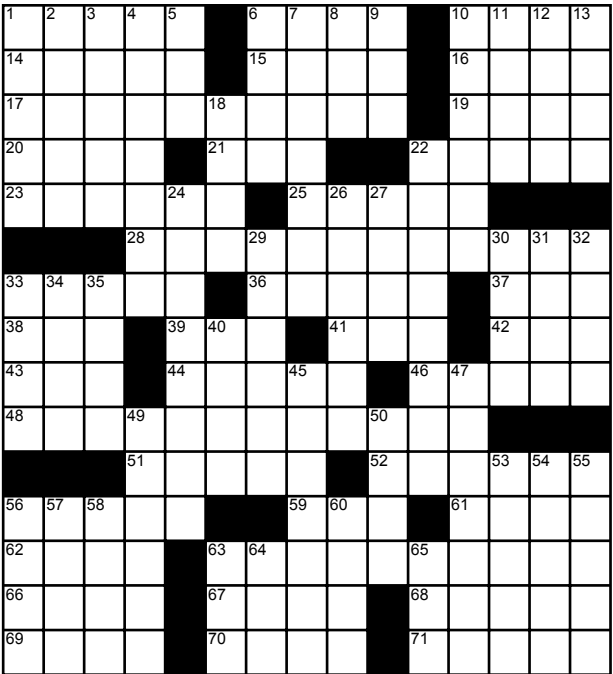
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- ACROSS**

1 Pilgrim's desti-
nation

6 Passing
yardage, e.g.

10 Like many a cel-
lar

14 ___ squash

15 Alice's chronicler

16 Three-ply snack

17 Mauritius,
once?

19 Tackle

20 From scratch

21 Muumuu go-with

22 Point of view

23 Like black
humor

25 Take the silver

28 St. Francis, e.g.?

33 First Super
Bowl M.V.P.

DOWN

36 Casual attire

37 Outback runner

38 Frame filler

39 Enzyme suffix

41 Mai ___

42 Prefix with night
or day

43 Pose

44 French story

46 Gov't security

48 Waikiki
wingding?

51 Gargle, e.g.

52 Free-for-all

56 Big brass

59 B.O. sign

61 Scrubbed mis-
sion

62 Crude bunch?

63 Passable party?
- DOWN**

1 Bawdyhouse
figure

2 Low-budget pre-
fix

3 Hacker, maybe

4 Prier's need

5 "Go on ..."

6 What "tauto-"
means

7 Gad about

8 Ryan's "Love
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Peoria refuses to honor its hometown son Pryor again

PEORIA (AP) — For a second time, the Peoria City Council has voted against renaming a city street in honor of comedian Richard Pryor.

The council voted 6-5 Tuesday against conducting a study on renaming South Sheridan Road to honor the Peoria native.

The idea of a study was introduced two weeks after council members voted March 27 against renaming the street for Pryor.

Marc Porch, one of those spearheading the effort to honor Pryor, said the vote was “business as usual in Peoria.”

Mayor Lowell “Bud” Grieves voted for the study but said he can see why others would have a problem with honoring a drug user who

frequently used profanity in his act.

During the hourlong debate, council member Camille Gibson said drugs and profanity should not be glorified. Gibson has said calls to her office have run more than 50-to-1 against the renaming.

Other measures to honor Pryor are in the works. Porch, a promoter, said he plans to hold the First Annual Richard Pryor Midwest Comedy Festival at the Peoria Civic Center in July.

Peoria has long been known as a hotbed of early entertainment talent, dating to vaudeville. Well-known former Peorians include feminist Betty Friedan and radio stars Jim and Marian Jordan, better known as “Fibber McGee and Molly.”

As depicted in his semi-autobio-

graphical 1985 film, “Jo Jo Dancer, Your Life is Calling,” Pryor spent much of his early years in a brothel run by his grandmother. He dropped out of Peoria Central High School at age 16 and began showcasing his talents at local clubs after his father kicked him out.

After a stint in the Army, Pryor began working at New York clubs, where he initially offered rather clean material.

But in the early 1970s, his comedy evolved, mixing anger and humor — and lots of foul language — as he used his experiences to make fun of mainstream society and racial issues in Grammy award-winning albums, popular concert films and as an actor in comedy movies.

Third airport in Chicago getting closer to reality

SPRINGFIELD (AP) — Political changes in Washington and growing frustration with the nation’s air-travel system have given new life to the old idea of building a third major airport for Chicago.

Illinois Transportation Secretary Kirk Brown told lawmakers Tuesday that the Bush administration is willing to review the proposal for an airport south of the city, near Peotone. Meanwhile, Gov. George Ryan is getting ready to buy land for the project.

“Things have changed now,” Brown told the House Aviation Committee. “Within a year, we’ll have environmental approval for the site. Within a year, we’ll own most of the land we need.”

The idea of building an airport near Peotone, about 40 miles from downtown Chicago, has been on the

table since at least 1992. It was blocked, however, by opposition from Chicago Mayor Richard Daley and his influence in President Clinton’s administration.

But Clinton is gone now and people are growing frustrated with air travel, especially the bottleneck created by Chicago’s busy O’Hare International Airport.

A Federal Aviation Administration report due Wednesday is expected to name O’Hare as one of the nation’s problem airports. Iowa’s senators are pushing to strip Ryan of his power to block new runways at the city-controlled airport.

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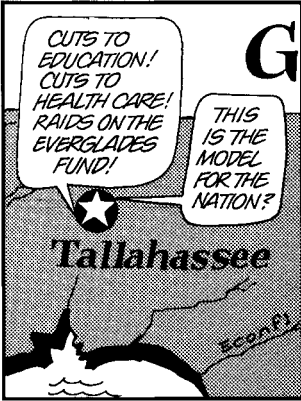
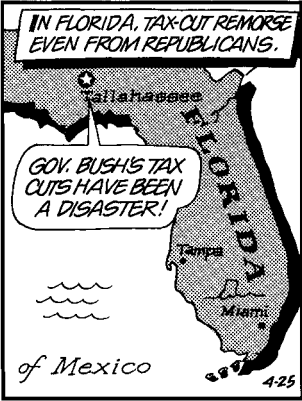
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GARY TRUDEAU

BY MIKE PETERS

Rojek

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While Winkeler inherited the second-place team in the conference, it was still an adjustment for the team to undergo.

Adam Howarth replaced former men’s head soccer coach Tim McClements this fall after Eastern finished 6-11-1 in the Missouri Valley Conference. And that was after Howarth served as interim women’s soccer head coach because current head women’s coach Steve Ballard was being investigated. Howarth immediately turned around a young men’s team, coaching them to a 12-6-1 season.

Softball coach Lloydene Searle is also Panther coach with short coaching tenure, currently in her fourth season at Eastern.

And then there are the countless assistant football coaches who have stepped in and out of positions under head man Bob Spoo.

But then there are people like Spoo and men’s basketball coach

Rick Samuels. Combine the years that coaches Hunt, Winkeler, Wunder, Howarth and Searle have all lead the Panthers and it still doesn’t add up to either of these two coaches’ tenures.

Spoo enters his 15th year at the helm of the football team after wrapping up a second place finish in the OVC and a bid to the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs last season. Samuels coached the men’s basketball team to the NCAA tournament in his 21st season at Eastern.

Does a coach’s dedication to Eastern’s athletics produce a successful season or does it rest on the season at hand? Hypothetically, if the men’s basketball team returned with its exact roster from this season and a new head coach stepped in, would the team still see the NCAA tournament?

Doubtful.

While a coach is just part of the team, he or she is certainly a significant part. Those who are dedicated to the success of Eastern’s athletics are here to see the tournament wins and the national attention.

I haven’t seen anyone take the

role as a head coach and in the same year and produce an OVC championship team. It takes time and dedication.

While these newer coaches have made significant efforts to bring the athletes to success, they assume a difficult role as the newcomer, and the progressive leader.

Perhaps it is the one-year contracts that all coaches at Eastern work under, with the exception of Samuels who is expected to sign the university’s first-ever multi-year deal once President Carol Surles opts to offer him the three-year contract.

Maybe if the athletic department secured coaches for more than one season and offered them job security, maybe they would stay longer. Then again, maybe not, because as far as I know, no coach in recent history has ever been fired at Eastern.

Regardless of the reason, when these coaches come and go with such frequency it is the athletes who signed scholarships expecting one thing, that are forced to deal and adjust to another.

Eastern

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Five-foot 9 inch freshman short-sop Chris Uhle hit his first homer as a Panther to tie the game up at three, but the Flames would strike back with a solo shot of their own to lead off the sixth inning. Marshall would then exit in favor of freshman reliever Jason Pinnell, who would go on to give up just one run in three innings of work while allowing just three hits.

While Pinnell kept the Flames in check, the Panthers had a hay day with UIC reliever Eric Carlson.

“We didn’t pitch very well,” Dee said. “And we certainly didn’t do a good job in the sixth and seventh innings.”

In those two innings Eastern would score eight runs on six hits and pair of walks and two hit batters.

“Our hitters saw Jason out there shutting them down and they came in and said, ‘Let’s do this,’” Schmitz said. “Jason really went out there and did a nice job for us.”

Sophomore Brad Weitekamp

would hit a two-run homer in the sixth and Landon put the game out of reach with a grand slam in the seventh, finishing the game 3-for-5 with a double, home run and four RBI.

“Josh is just such a great leadoff hitter and he did a great job this weekend of getting walks and was 4-for-4 Sunday,” Schmitz said. “He’s a guy that has gotten better and better every year he’s been here and that grand slam really put it away.”

Right fielder Pete Pirman finished with a 2-for-5 effort while Uhle finished 2-for-2 with a pair of walks and an RBI. Nathan Stone came on to throw the ninth inning, giving up just one hit while striking out one.

“They’ve got a good club,” Dee said. “You don’t hit the ball as well as they do and put yourself in a position to win a conference championship if you’re not a great team. Eastern really did a nice job (Tuesday).”

Eastern hosts Ball State 3 p.m. this afternoon at Monier Field. Schmitz expects to start Nick Albu who struggled in his appearance last weekend against Tennessee Tech. Schmitz also expects Andy Hoffman to see some work on the mound.

Flames

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been so effective this season is not only the forkball, but his experience of having a year of closing ball games under his belt.

“The key for Mike has been: A – he has been able to get his forkball over early in the count,” Schmitz said.

“And B – he had last year to get accustomed to the role of the closer, and I think

that has helped him tremendously this season.”

Experience is something that Zirolì, a four-year player for Eastern, is full of. But being the oldest player on the team brings with it some responsibility.

“I have to help some of the younger guys with the little things,” said the product from Lyons Township High School in La Grange.

“Things like what to pack on road trips and what to do on pickoff play – things like that.

“But I like that role because I know

when I got here some of the guys helped me out, so I figure it is my turn to help out some of the younger guys now,” he said.

With only pitching the ninth and sometimes the eighth inning of a game, what does Zirolì do with all of his free time?

“I watch the game until coach sends me down to the bullpen in the sixth inning just to stretch,” Zirolì said. “Then I just hangout with whoever else is down there and wait to warmup.”

But, Zirolì says, there is a problem that he can’t get a handle on when he is about to

warm up.

“Every time I get down there and I am getting ready to warmup I have to use the bathroom,” Zirolì said. “The thing about it is after I go, everyone who is down there has to go, too.”

With the closer’s last regular season game quickly approaching one of the things he has had time to think about in the bullpen is where his team might end up come May.

“In a month, I expect to be in a NCAA regional somewhere,” Zirolì said.

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Volleyball team adjusts in the spring season

By Bill Ruthhart
Sports editor

The spring season has been one of adjustment for the Panther volleyball team which competed in four tournaments this offseason.

Gone from last year's team are seniors Kim Blackwell, Gen Ramos and Erin Morrison which not only mean filling important holes at setter and outside hitter, but changing the team's style of offense.

"We've made the change from a 6-2 offense to a 5-1 offense," head coach Brenda Winkeler said.

"And what that means is that we only have one right side hitter when we used to have two, so that changes our passing formations and that also means we only have one setter now.

Winkeler said that change has meant junior Carrie Stevens and sophomore Karen Liss have had more expanded passing roles.

"Carrie Stevens has been playing the role of a passer and that's definitely been different for her," Winkeler said.

"Karen Liss has really stepped up her passing and she'll probably be doing the majority of the passing for us next season."

With junior Amy Heimann out all spring because of shoulder surgery, sophomore Colette Walz saw a more expanded role this spring.

"Colette is a player that hadn't played a whole lot before and saw a lot of action this spring," Winkeler said. "She played well this spring in our first three tournaments."

The offseason concluded for the volleyball team this past weekend when it hosted their annual spring invite. Eastern went 2-2 in the tournament, defeating Parkland College and Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville and falling to Western Illinois and Southeast Missouri State.

"Even though we went 2-2 in the tourna-

ment, I felt we did play well even in the matches we did lose," Winkeler said. "We had some very, close games and overall, it was a good finish to the spring season."

The spring also marked the first time Eastern played under the new NCAA rules that will go into effect next season.

The NCAA has adapted rally scoring, in which teams can score on both offense and defense rather than the traditional side out scoring. Let serves, when the ball hits the net and still goes over, will also be allowed next season.

"We used the new offensive system this spring and we did a good job with that," Winkeler said. "It's very exciting, but it means we have to minimize our errors not just when we're trying to side out."

Winkeler said she didn't like the idea of the new scoring system, at first but it has grown on her and the players this spring.

"At first the players and my reaction was negative because they were changing a game that had been the same so long," she said. "But the more we played it, the more we all got excited about it."

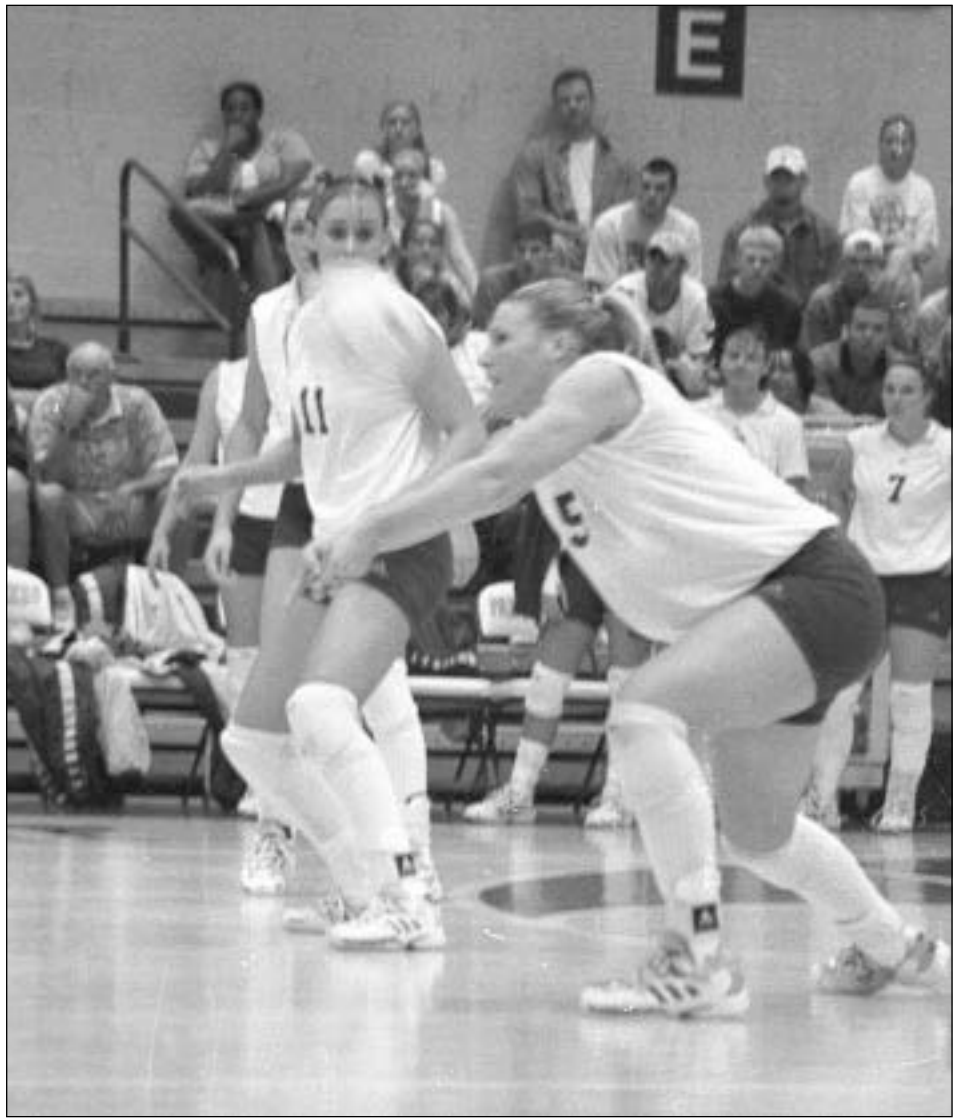
"I think the big thing is it will be more exciting for the fans and having the let serve will make things more exciting," Winkeler said. "I think it will really help the sport and its fan base."

Middle hitter Leslie Przekwas, who received All-OVC honors last season, remains a mainstay for the Panthers, leading the tournament in kills last weekend.

Przekwas has also been a major reason why Eastern's blocking defense improved greatly this spring.

"Definitely this spring we became a much better blocking team," Winkeler said.

"We definitely need to work on our consistency because the sport is so different now. It's was a good spring, but we still have a lot of things to work on for next season."



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Junior Carrie Stevens dis the ball as junior Amy Heimann looks on. The Panthers concluded their spring season last weekend with a tournament at Lantz Gym.

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Efficiency leads Eastern to win

By **Bill Ruthhart**
Sports editor

Efficiency was the name of the game Tuesday afternoon as Eastern's baseball hosted the University of Illinois-Chicago. And efficient is exactly what the Panthers' offense was in the 11-5 non-conference win.

Although the Flames (21-23) outthit Eastern (25-14, 14-0) 16-12 in the game, the Panthers got more scoring production out of their hits than the Flames.

Baseball

"We must have left at least a dozen guys on base in this one," UIC head coach Mike Dee said. "We didn't get the big hits when we needed them and they did. I guess that's just baseball."

UIC left 13 runners on base for the game while Eastern stranded just four. After starter Jared Marshall managed to squirm his way out of the first inning without giving up a run,

despite allowing three straight singles to start the game, the Panthers got on the board first. Senior center fielder Bob VanHoorebeck singled in second baseman Josh Landon who doubled to lead off the inning.

That 1-0 lead wouldn't last for long with Marshall giving up a triple, a walk and three singles as the Flames put together a three-run second. After a trip to the bullpen in between innings with Panther head coach Jim Schmitz, Marshall settled down, not allowing another run in the next three innings.

"Jared hadn't thrown for a while and it's

hard to stay sharp," Schmitz said. "We kept doing something over and over again and we felt his focus wasn't all there."

"So we talked to him about that and he went out there and had some better innings," he said.

The Panthers would cut the lead to one in the third inning when junior designated hitter Brian Nickell hit a towering solo homer to left. The score would stay the same until the bottom of the fifth when another home run from a more unexpected source would tie the game.

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New coaches bring more adjustments

A coach of a collegiate athletic team is someone who is looked at to provide progressive leadership, but when a coach cuts that progress short after just one, two or three years, is anything getting accomplished?

Adjustments must be made in all aspects of the team, from technique and style of coaching to building a trust among the athletes.

When head coach Michael Hunt announced his departure from Eastern's tennis team after the Ohio Valley Conference Tournament this weekend, he joined many other coaches who have stepped out of the Panther spotlight.

Hunt finished his second season with the Panthers, replacing former men's and women's head coach Marla Reid.

While an array of coaches throughout several seasons could signify a successful athletic program, it also highlights negative attention.

The women's basketball team ended a 5-21 season in 1999 with former head coach John Klein announcing his resignation before the final game and was replaced by head coach Linda Wunder in time for the 1999-2000 season.

Wunder was placed into the slow rebuilding stage, progressing into a 8-19 season last year and finishing 7-20 this season.

Next season, the seniors will be the lone players to have been recruited by Klein since Wunder's recruiting efforts take over.

Head volleyball coach Brenda Winkler will enter her second season with Eastern in the fall after replacing interim head coach Andrew Epperly. Epperly took over when current Director of Compliance Betty Ralston resigned just weeks before the season started.

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Putting out the flames

Senior closer Mike Zirola has shut down hitters all season

Editor's note: Top Cat is a weekly series taking an in-depth look at Eastern's top athlete from the previous week. Winners are selected just once. Selection is made by the Daily Eastern News sports staff.

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There is one pitcher on every team that is looked at to put out the flames of an opposing team's offense late in the game. That player for Eastern this season has been closer Mike Zirola.

Zirola, the only senior pitcher on this year's squad, posted a 2-0 record last week to go along with a save.

The righthander allowed only one run and three hits in 7 and 1/3 innings to be named the Ohio Valley Conference 'Pitcher of the Week' as well as earning Top Cat honors for the week.

"This past week I have felt pretty good on the mound," Zirola said.

"I just try to go out there and not let them score any runs. If I can do that, then we will win a lot of games."

Zirola has not only been impressive this past week, but has pitched well for the past month and a half after starting out the year sluggishly.

The senior is 6-2 this season with a 3.13 ERA and six saves. Zirola has also struck out 39 batters in just 46 innings, and opponents are hitting just .219 against him.

"I think that Mike has really handled the pressure of being a senior and not starting as well as he would have liked," Eastern head coach Jim Schmitz said.

With the six saves this season Zirola broke the Eastern career record for saves with 13 that was held by Mike Fahey, who had 12 saves from 1991-1994. But Zirola doesn't think the record is that important.

"It's a nice record to have here, but they haven't kept the save stat at Eastern for too long," Zirola said.

"And no matter how high it gets here in the end of the season, I think someone will come along and break it."

One of the reasons that Zirola has been so effective in the late innings of a game is his forkball, which he can use as both a table setter and a strikeout pitch.

"Sometimes when I'm throwing the forkball for strikes I can tell that the other team is getting frustrated," Zirola said. "If I can drop it in there early in the count, then they don't what I'm going to throw next, and I have ultimate confidence in my forkball."

But Schmitz thinks the reason Zirola has



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Senior closer Mike Zirola earned Top Cat of the Week honors after posting a 2-0 record and collecting the save in games against Northern Illinois and Tennessee Tech.

Close, but no cigar

Here's who had a good week but didn't quite make our cut for Top Cat of the week

Josh Landon, senior second baseman

Landon finished the week 9-for-17, scoring seven runs. The senior second baseman also hit a home run last week while driving in six runs. Landon also went 4-for-4 in the Panthers' win over Tennessee Tech Sunday.

**Ben Duke, junior first baseman**

Duke finished the week 8-for-12, including a grand slam. The junior first baseman scored four runs and drove in six runs on the week. Duke was 3-for-4 in two games last week.

**C.J. Weber, freshman tennis player**

Weber earned All-Conference honors following his performance at the OVC Tournament this weekend, defeating Austin Peay's No. 3 singles player Vincent Burki 6-2, 6-2. He also combined with teammate Brandon Blankenbaker for a 8-6 No. 2 doubles win.

**Barb Wolfe, junior tennis player**

Wolfe earned All-Ohio Valley Conference recognition after Eastern's fifth place finish in the OVC Tennis Tournament this weekend. The junior defeated Eastern Kentucky's No. 6 player Rachel Long 6-3, 6-4 Sunday.



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